E-rate Provider Services

September 25, 2018

The Honorable Ajit Pai Chairman Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

In the Matter of: Nomination for Universal Service Administrative Company Board of Directors CC Docket Nos. 97-21 and 96-45

Dear Chairman Pai:

E-rate Provider Services, a specialized consulting firm, working exclusively with service providers in the E-rate Program, is writing to express our strong support for the appointment of Julie Tritt Schell to the USAC Board as a schools' representative.

Truly qualified candidates are rare, and Ms. Schell's combination of broad and deep knowledge of the E-Rate Program, driving passion to improve access to technology for school children, boundless energy to work to make the program better at every chance, and a willingness and ability to bring different stakeholders together to craft better solutions, will make her an outstanding USAC board member. E-Rate Provider Services follows the FCC and USAC Board closely, and we had been impressed during her past tenure at how the above-referenced qualities have benefitted applicants and service provider providers, as well as the program as a whole. She will bring an insight and intellect to the position, as she has in the past, the effect of which cannot be overestimated.

E-Rate Provider Services cannot imagine a candidate more qualified that Ms. Schell. We strongly encourage the inclusion of her steady stewardship and creative optimism to the USAC Board. Ms. Schell will represent the school community with distinction, and we support her reappointment to the USAC Board in the strongest possible terms.

Respectfully submitted,

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Bob Richter President